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## James Bond in the Real World

France is the launching site for Communist espionage in the free world. The nation's top tool in combating this is the highly secret SDECE (Service de Documentation Exterieur et de Contre-Espionage) directly under the Minister of the Interior. And in the opinion of our own Central Intelligence Agency it has the best pipelines into the Kremlin of any intelligence apparatus.

The SDECE includes several services although its anatomy has been hitherto unrevealed.

SERVICE ONE is pure espionage, subdivided into bureaus under the initial "R" for Renseignement (information). The bureaus are divided by zones of the world.

Surprisingly, in Western intelligence organizations, there is usually more spying on allies than on enemies. There are two reasons. First, it's easier to do. Second, while you know exactly where your enemy stands, you seldom know this with an ally. So, send out the agents, spread the espionage and keep yourself up to date.

Section Two concerns itself with counterespionage. The guardians of secrets must be even more competent than the agents seeking them — otherwise the secrets are lost. In dealing with an enemy spy cell you start with counterespionage, go on to intelligence and then on to deception.

Services Three and Four (now consolidated) comprise the anti-Communist section. Communists have heavily infiltrated the West Ger-

man Bundesnachrichtendienst (BND) espionage apparatus, as they did the former Nazi Army ABWEHR anti-Soviet intelligence division, and this nightmare currently besets the SDECE.

BRAVE COL. Pierre Thyraud de Vosjole, who served 10 years as chief liaison officer for the SDECE in Washington, worked in Service Four. Through him senior Soviet KGB officer Anatole Dolnystsin, who fled to the West, unmasked both Kim Philby, the British master spy and George Paques, the NATO spy sent to a French jail.

Service Four is also linked with the French Security Police (DST), camp headquarters of the Gendarmerie Nationale at Satory.

Another undercover arm is the Brigade Criminal of the Police Judiciaire at 36 Quai des Orfèvres in Paris. The anti-riot squads, known to every Frenchman simply as the CRS, are the Corps Republicain de Securite. And all these organizations work closely with Interpol, the international police headquartered in the Paris suburb of St. Clow.

PRESIDENT GEORGES POMPIDOU and Prime Minister Jacques Chaban-Delmas are both men who, as the French say, "crossed the desert" with Charles d'Gaulle, meaning those who went into political obscurity with him while he was out of power from 1947 to 1959 and that Communist pressures, contrived demonstrations and relentless espionage played a constant part in the government failures.

They back the secret SDECE, the DST, etc., to the limit. And they also staunchly insist that proper intelligence services are tools for the defense of democracy, not weapons to kill it.

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